

CLAIMS

1. A system for differentiating two or more cables of
5 two or more respective appliances, the system comprising a respective tying device for tying to a respective cable, wherein each tying device is provided in a differentiated form from each other tying device.
- 10 2. A system as claimed in claim 1 wherein the tying device is used for identifying a cable of an electrical appliance, the tying device being attachable to the cable and having a preprinted appliance name thereon or positionable thereon.
- 15 3. A system as claimed in claim 2 herein the preprinted or positionable appliance name is located on an external surface of an enlarged portion of the tying device.
4. A system as claimed in claim 2 wherein a plurality of
20 the tying devices are supplied as part of a unit and are detachable from the unit for use.
5. A system as claimed in claim 4 wherein the unit is a card.
6. A system as claimed in claim 1 wherein each tying
25 device comprises:
 - an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable; and
 - a planar enlarged portion arranged on the member for insertion through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion being at least in part of a thickness greater than a narrowest width dimension of the hole, and at least in part of a transverse

width greater than a corresponding width dimension of the hole.

7. A system as claimed in claim 6 wherein the enlarged portion is located at one end of the elongate member.

5 8. A system as claimed in claim 7 wherein the hole is located adjacent to an opposite end of the elongate member.

9. A system as claimed in claim 6 wherein the enlarged portion defines a shoulder where it joins the elongate member such that, in use, when the enlarged portion has been inserted through the hole, the shoulder is seated at and abuts an edge of the hole to releasably secure the device at the cable.

10 10. A system as claimed in claim 9 wherein the shoulder is at least partially rounded.

15 11. A system as claimed in claim 9 wherein the shoulder is bevelled.

12. A system as claimed in claim 6 wherein the width of the hole is equivalent to or greater than the width of the elongate member.

20 13. A system as claimed in claim 6 wherein a remote end of the enlarged portion is tapered to facilitate insertion thereof into the hole.

14. A system as claimed in claim 6 wherein the enlarged portion of the device at least is made of a flexible material.

25 15. A system as claimed in claim 6 wherein the elongate member is a strap.

16. A system as claimed in claim 6 wherein indicia are pre-applied to an external surface of the portion which in use can facilitate identification of a cable to which the tying device is releasably secured.

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17. A system as claimed in claim 1 wherein each tying device comprises:

- an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable; and
- an enlarged portion connected to the elongate member and being insertable through a hole located in the member;

5 wherein the member has a width less than the enlarged portion at the connection between the member and enlarged portion to define a shoulder at the enlarged portion such that the device widens moving from the member to the enlarged portion at the connection therebetween.

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18. A system as claimed in claim 17 wherein the tying device is as otherwise defined in claim 9.

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19. A system as claimed in claim 1 wherein each tying device comprises:

- an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable;
- a planar enlarged portion arranged on the member for insertion through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion including a raised portion thereon to provide that part of the enlarged portion with a thickness greater than a remainder of the enlarged portion;

20 the device being configured such that the enlarged portion can be passed from one side of the member, completely through the hole, to an opposite side of the member to be secured at the opposite side.

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30 20. A system as claimed in claim 19 wherein the enlarged portion has a transverse width which is greater than the transverse width of the elongate member.

21. A system as claimed in claim 19 wherein the elongate member has the same thickness as the remainder of the planar enlarged portion.
22. A system as claimed in claim 19 wherein indicia are pre-applied to an external surface of the raised portion.
23. A system as claimed in claim 19 wherein the device is as otherwise defined in claim 14.
24. A card comprising a plurality of detachable elongate members, each of the members being frangibly joined to the card for detachment therefrom, an enlarged portion being defined in at least one of the members for insertion in use through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion being defined in claim 6.
25. A card as claimed in claim 24 wherein the enlarged portion has a transverse width greater than the transverse width of an adjacent portion of the elongate member.
26. A card as claimed in claim 24 wherein the elongate portion has a transverse width greater than a corresponding transverse width of the hole.
27. A card as claimed in claim 24 to wherein the members are each made of the same material as the card.
28. A card as claimed in claim 24 wherein each member is a tying device as otherwise defined in claim 1.
29. A card comprising a plurality of detachable elongate members, each of the members being frangibly joined to the card for detachment therefrom, an enlarged portion being defined in at least one of the members for insertion in use through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion being defined in claim 17.

30. A card as claimed in claim 29 wherein the enlarged portion has a transverse width greater than the transverse width of an adjacent portion of the elongate member.
- 5 31. A card as claimed in claim 29 wherein the elongate portion has a transverse width greater than a corresponding transverse width of the hole.
32. A card as claimed in claim 29 to wherein the members are each made of the same material as the card.
- 10 33. A card as claimed in claim 29 wherein each member is a tying device as otherwise defined in claim 1.
34. A card comprising a plurality of detachable elongate members, each of the members being frangibly joined to the card for detachment therefrom, an enlarged portion being defined in at least one of the members for insertion in use through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion being defined in claim 19.
- 15 35. A card as claimed in claim 34 wherein the enlarged portion has a transverse width greater than the transverse width of an adjacent portion of the elongate member.
- 20 36. A card as claimed in claim 34 wherein the elongate portion has a transverse width greater than a corresponding transverse width of the hole.
- 25 37. A card as claimed in claim 34 to wherein the members are each made of the same material as the card.
38. A card as claimed in claim 34 wherein each member is a tying device as otherwise defined in claim 1.
- 30 39. A card comprising a plurality of detachable elongate members, each of the members being frangibly joined to the card for detachment therefrom, an enlarged portion being defined in at least one of the members

for insertion in use through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion being defined in claim 17.

40. A card comprising a plurality of detachable elongate members, each of the members being frangibly joined to the card for detachment therefrom, an enlarged portion being defined in at least one of the members for insertion in use through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion being defined in claim 10 19.
41. An electrical appliance cable identification tying device for attachment to the cable and having pre-applied indicia indicating the name of the appliance thereon.
- 15 42. An electrical appliance cable identification tying device as claimed in claim 41 that is a tying device as otherwise defined in claim 1.
43. A tying device comprising:
 - an elongate member for releasable securement at a 20 cable by wrapping around the cable; and
 - a planar enlarged portion arranged on the member for insertion through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion being at least in part of a thickness greater than a corresponding thickness dimension of the hole, and at least in part of a transverse width greater than a corresponding width dimension of the hole.
- 25 44. A tying device as claimed in claim 43 wherein the portion is arranged for bearing indicia or for being labelled with indicia.
- 30 45. A tying device as claimed in claim 44 wherein the indicia is a name capable of being understood by a human user.

46. A tying device as claimed in claim 43 wherein the tying device is as otherwise defined in claim 1.

47. A tying device comprising:

5 - an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable; and

 - an enlarged portion connected to the elongate member and being insertable through a hole located in the member,

 wherein the member has a width less than the enlarged portion at the connection between the member and enlarged portion to define a shoulder at the enlarged portion such that the device widens moving from the member to the enlarged portion at the connection therebetween.

10 48. A tying device as claimed in claim 47 wherein the portion is arranged for bearing indicia or for being labelled with indicia.

15 49. A tying device as claimed in claim 48 wherein the indicia is a name capable of being understood by a human user.

20 50. A tying device as claimed in claim 47 wherein the tying device is as otherwise defined in claim 1.

51. A tying device comprising:

25 - an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable;

 - a planar enlarged portion arranged on the member for insertion through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion including a raised portion thereon to provide that part of the enlarged portion with a thickness greater than a remainder of the enlarged portion;

30 the device being configured such that the enlarged portion can be passed from one side of the member,

completely through the hole, to an opposite side of the member to be secured at the opposite side.

52. A tying device as claimed in claim 51 wherein the portion is arranged for bearing indicia or for being
5 labelled with indicia.

53. A tying device as claimed in claim 52 wherein the indicia is a name capable of being understood by a human user.

54. A tying device as claimed in claim 51 wherein the
10 tying device is as otherwise defined in claim 1.

55. A system for differentiating two or more containers for containing two or more respective items, the system comprising a respective tying device for labelling each respective container, wherein each
15 tying device is provided in a differentiated form from each other tying device.

56. A system as claimed in claim 55 wherein each tying device identifies its respective container, the tying device being attachable to a neck of the container, or a container neck formed by folding of the container, the tying device having a preprinted container name thereon or positionable thereon.
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57. A system as claimed in claim 56 wherein the preprinted or positionable container name is located
25 on an external surface of an enlarged portion of each tying device.

58. A system as claimed in claim 56 wherein the container is a plastic bag.

59. A system as claimed in claim 55 wherein the tying
30 device is as otherwise defined in claim 1.